

## **1981 – 2010 Annual Normals Documentation**

### **I. Description**

The 1981-2010 Normals comprise all climate normals using the thirty year period of temperature, degree days, precipitation, snowfall, snow depth, wind, etc. Data is organized into hourly, daily, monthly, seasonal and annual. This document describes the elements and layout of the Seasonal and Annual Normals which are derived from a composite of climate records from numerous sources that were merged and then subjected to a suite of quality assurance reviews.

### **II. Format/Element Definitions**

(note: the term 'element' is used throughout this documentation and refers to an individual meteorological/climatological measurement or statistical value such as temperature, precipitation (amount), number of days of snowfall  $\geq 3$  inches, etc.)

#### **A. Initial section**

Each record represents all selected elements available for a given station-day. The initial section of each record is ordered as follows with the following definitions:

**STATION** (17 characters) is the station identification code. Please see

<ftp://ftp.ncdc.noaa.gov/pub/data/normals/1981-2010/station-inventories/>

for a complete list of stations and their metadata.

**STATION\_NAME** (max 50 characters) is the name of the station (usually city/airport name). Optional field.

**GEOGRAPHIC\_LOCATION** (31 characters) is the latitude (decimated degrees w/northern hemisphere values  $> 0$ , southern hemisphere values  $< 0$ ), longitude (decimated degrees w/western hemisphere values  $< 0$ , eastern hemisphere values  $> 0$ ) and elevation above mean sea level (thousandths of meters). Optional field.

**DATE** is the year of the record (4 digits) followed by month (2 digits) and day (2 digits). Note: Day will always be coded as 01 (data values represent a complete month).

#### **B. Elements and flags**

Following this initial section of the record, all selected elements and flags are given in the following

order:

1<sup>st</sup> Element | Completeness Flag | 2<sup>nd</sup> Element | Completeness Flag | 3<sup>rd</sup> Element...etc., for all elements selected.

**Element(s)** is/are defined in Table 2 below. Please note only elements selected by user will appear in the specific output.

**Completeness Flag** is defined in **Table 1** below

Flags accompany every Normals value and indicate the completeness of the data record used to compute each value, accounting for methodological differences for different product classes. There are six flag options described generally in **Table 1** below. Due to methodological differences, the flags are applied somewhat differently between the temperature-based normals and the precipitation-based normals. For the precipitation-based and hourly normals, the following flags were assigned independently for each normals value reported based on number of years available for that individual calculation. For temperature-based normals, strong precedence is given to the monthly normals of maximum and minimum temperature or derived from the flags for these two variables.

#### **Table 1 (CompletenessFlag)**

C = complete (all 30 years used)

S = standard (no more than 5 years missing and no more than 3 consecutive years missing among the sufficiently complete years)

R = representative (observed record utilized incomplete, but value was scaled or based on filled values to be representative of the full period of record)

P = provisional (at least 10 years used, but not sufficiently complete to be labeled as standard or representative). Also used for parameter values on February 29 as well as for interpolated daily precipitation, snowfall, and snow depth percentiles.

Q = quasi-normal (at least 2 years per month, but not sufficiently complete to be labeled as provisional or any other higher flag code. The associated value was computed using a pseudonormals approach or derived from monthly pseudonormals.

Blank = the data value is reported as a special value such as 9999

Note: Flags Q and R aren't applicable to average number of days with different precipitation, snowfall, and snow depth threshold exceedance; precipitation/snowfall/snow probabilities of occurrence. Further, Q flags are not applicable for standard deviations.

#### **Table 2 (Elements)**

##### **Annual elements:**

ann-cldd-base45

Long-term averages of annual cooling degree days with base 45F

ann-cldd-base50	Long-term averages of annual cooling degree days with base 50F
ann-cldd-base55	Long-term averages of annual cooling degree days with base 55F
ann-cldd-base57	Long-term averages of annual cooling degree days with base 57F
ann-cldd-base60	Long-term averages of annual cooling degree days with base 60F
ann-cldd-base70	Long-term averages of annual cooling degree days with base 70F
ann-cldd-base72	Long-term averages of annual cooling degree days with base 72F
ann-cldd-normal	Long-term averages of annual cooling degree days with base 65F
ann-dutr-normal	Long-term averages of annual diurnal temperature range
ann-htdd-base40	Long-term averages of annual heating degree days with base 40F
ann-htdd-base45	Long-term averages of annual heating degree days with base 45F
ann-htdd-base50	Long-term averages of annual heating degree days with base 50F
ann-htdd-base55	Long-term averages of annual heating degree days with base 55F
ann-htdd-base57	Long-term averages of annual heating degree days with base 57F
ann-htdd-base60	Long-term averages of annual heating degree days with base 60F
ann-htdd-normal	Long-term averages of annual heating degree days with base 65F
ann-prcp-avgnds-ge001hi	Long-term averages of number of days during the year with precipitation $\geq 0.01$ inches
ann-prcp-avgnds-ge010hi	Long-term averages of number of days during the year with precipitation $\geq 0.10$ inches
ann-prcp-avgnds-ge050hi	Long-term averages of number of days during the year with precipitation $\geq 0.50$ inches
ann-prcp-avgnds-ge100hi	Long-term averages of number of days during the year with precipitation $\geq 1.00$ inches
ann-prcp-normal	Long-term averages of annual precipitation totals
ann-snow-avgnds-ge001ti	Long-term averages of number of days during the year with snowfall $\geq 0.1$ inches
ann-snow-avgnds-ge010ti	Long-term averages of number of days during the year with snowfall $\geq 1.0$ inches
ann-snow-avgnds-ge030ti	Long-term averages of number of days during the year with snowfall $\geq 3.0$ inches
ann-snow-avgnds-ge050ti	Long-term averages of number of days during the year with snowfall $\geq 5.0$ inches
ann-snow-avgnds-ge100ti	Long-term averages of number of days during the year with snowfall $\geq 10.0$ inches
ann-snow-normal	Long-term averages of annual snowfall totals
ann-snwd-avgnds-ge001wi	Long-term averages of number of days during the year with snow depth $\geq 1$ inch
ann-snwd-avgnds-ge003wi	Long-term averages of number of days during the year with

	snow depth >= 3 inches
ann-snwd-avgnds-ge005wi	Long-term averages of number of days during the year with snow depth >=5 inches
ann-snwd-avgnds-ge010wi	Long-term averages of number of days during the year with snow depth >=5 inches
ann-tavg-normal	Long-term averages of annual average temperature
ann-tmax-avgnds-grth040	Long-term average number of days per year where tmax is greater than or equal to 40F
ann-tmax-avgnds-grth050	Long-term average number of days per year where tmax is greater than or equal to 50F
ann-tmax-avgnds-grth060	Long-term average number of days per year where tmax is greater than or equal to 60F
ann-tmax-avgnds-grth070	Long-term average number of days per year where tmax is greater than or equal to 70F
ann-tmax-avgnds-grth080	Long-term average number of days per year where tmax is greater than or equal to 80F
ann-tmax-avgnds-grth090	Long-term average number of days per year where tmax is greater than or equal to 90F
ann-tmax-avgnds-grth100	Long-term average number of days per year where tmax is greater than or equal to 100F
ann-tmax-avgnds-lsth032	Long-term average number of days per year where tmax is less than or equal to 32F
ann-tmax-normal	Long-term averages of annual maximum temperature
ann-tmin-avgnds-lsth000	Long-term average number of days per year where tmin is less than or equal to 0F
ann-tmin-avgnds-lsth010	Long-term average number of days per year where tmin is less than or equal to 10F
ann-tmin-avgnds-lsth020	Long-term average number of days per year where tmin is less than or equal to 20F
ann-tmin-avgnds-lsth032	Long-term average number of days per year where tmin is less than or equal to 32F
ann-tmin-avgnds-lsth040	Long-term average number of days per year where tmin is less than or equal to 40F
ann-tmin-avgnds-lsth050	Long-term average number of days per year where tmin is less than or equal to 50F
ann-tmin-avgnds-lsth060	Long-term average number of days per year where tmin is less than or equal to 60F
ann-tmin-avgnds-lsth070	Long-term average number of days per year where tmin is less than or equal to 70F
ann-tmin-normal	Long-term averages of annual minimum temperature
ytd-prcp-normal	Long-term average year-to-date precipitation totals
ytd-snow-normal	Long-term average year-to-date snowfall totals

## Seasonal elements:

djf-cldd-base45	Long-term averages of winter cooling degree days with base 45F
djf-cldd-base50	Long-term averages of winter cooling degree days with base 50F
djf-cldd-base55	Long-term averages of winter cooling degree days with base 55F
djf-cldd-base57	Long-term averages of winter cooling degree days with base 57F
djf-cldd-base60	Long-term averages of winter cooling degree days with base 60F
djf-cldd-base70	Long-term averages of winter cooling degree days with base 70F
djf-cldd-base72	Long-term averages of winter cooling degree days with base 72F
djf-cldd-normal	Long-term averages of winter cooling degree days with base 65F
djf-dutr-normal	Long-term averages of winter diurnal temperature range
djf-htdd-base40	Long-term averages of winter heating degree days with base 40F
djf-htdd-base45	Long-term averages of winter heating degree days with base 45F
djf-htdd-base50	Long-term averages of winter heating degree days with base 50F
djf-htdd-base55	Long-term averages of winter heating degree days with base 55F
djf-htdd-base57	Long-term averages of winter heating degree days with base 57F
djf-htdd-base60	Long-term averages of winter heating degree days with base 60F
djf-htdd-normal	Long-term averages of winter heating degree days with base 65F
djf-prcp-avgnds-ge001hi	Long-term averages of number of days during December-February with precipitation $\geq 0.01$ inches
djf-prcp-avgnds-ge010hi	Long-term averages of number of days during December-February with precipitation $\geq 0.10$ inches
djf-prcp-avgnds-ge050hi	Long-term averages of number of days during December-February with precipitation $\geq 0.50$ inches
djf-prcp-avgnds-ge100hi	Long-term averages of number of days during December-February with precipitation $\geq 1.00$ inches
djf-prcp-normal	Long-term averages of seasonal precipitation totals for December-February
djf-snow-avgnds-ge001ti	Long-term averages of number of days during December-February with snowfall $\geq 0.1$ inches
djf-snow-avgnds-ge010ti	Long-term averages of number of days during December-February with snowfall $\geq 1.0$ inches
djf-snow-avgnds-ge030ti	Long-term averages of number of days during December-February with snowfall $\geq 3.0$ inches
djf-snow-avgnds-ge050ti	Long-term averages of number of days during December-February with snowfall $\geq 5.0$ inches
djf-snow-avgnds-ge100ti	Long-term averages of number of days during December-February with snowfall $\geq 10.0$ inches
djf-snow-normal	Long-term averages of seasonal snowfall totals for December-February
djf-snwd-avgnds-ge001wi	Long-term averages of number of days during December-February with snow depth $\geq 1$ inch
djf-snwd-avgnds-ge003wi	Long-term averages of number of days during December-February with snow depth $\geq 3$ inches
djf-snwd-avgnds-ge005wi	Long-term averages of number of days during December-February with snow depth $\geq 5$ inches
djf-snwd-avgnds-ge010wi	Long-term averages of number of days during December-February with snow

	depth >= 10 inches
djf-tavg-normal	Long-term averages of winter average temperature
djf-tmax-avgnds-grth040	Long-term average number of days per winter where tmax is greater than or equal to 40F
djf-tmax-avgnds-grth050	Long-term average number of days per winter where tmax is greater than or equal to 50F
djf-tmax-avgnds-grth060	Long-term average number of days per winter where tmax is greater than or equal to 60F
djf-tmax-avgnds-grth070	Long-term average number of days per winter where tmax is greater than or equal to 70F
djf-tmax-avgnds-grth080	Long-term average number of days per winter where tmax is greater than or equal to 80F
djf-tmax-avgnds-grth090	Long-term average number of days per winter where tmax is greater than or equal to 90F
djf-tmax-avgnds-grth100	Long-term average number of days per winter where tmax is greater than or equal to 100F
djf-tmax-avgnds-lsth032	Long-term average number of days per winter where tmax is less than or equal to 32F
djf-tmax-normal	Long-term averages of winter maximum temperature
djf-tmin-avgnds-lsth000	Long-term average number of days per winter where tmin is less than or equal to 0F
djf-tmin-avgnds-lsth010	Long-term average number of days per winter where tmin is less than or equal to 10F
djf-tmin-avgnds-lsth020	Long-term average number of days per winter where tmin is less than or equal to 20F
djf-tmin-avgnds-lsth032	Long-term average number of days per winter where tmin is less than or equal to 32F
djf-tmin-avgnds-lsth040	Long-term average number of days per winter where tmin is less than or equal to 40F
djf-tmin-avgnds-lsth050	Long-term average number of days per winter where tmin is less than or equal to 50F
djf-tmin-avgnds-lsth060	Long-term average number of days per winter where tmin is less than or equal to 60F
djf-tmin-avgnds-lsth070	Long-term average number of days per winter where tmin is less than or equal to 70F
djf-tmin-normal	Long-term averages of winter minimum temperature
jja-cldd-base45	Long-term averages of summer cooling degree days with base 45F
jja-cldd-base50	Long-term averages of summer cooling degree days with base 50F
jja-cldd-base55	Long-term averages of summer cooling degree days with base 55F
jja-cldd-base57	Long-term averages of summer cooling degree days with base 57F
jja-cldd-base60	Long-term averages of summer cooling degree days with base 60F
jja-cldd-base70	Long-term averages of summer cooling degree days with base 70F
jja-cldd-base72	Long-term averages of summer cooling degree days with base 72F
jja-cldd-normal	Long-term averages of summer cooling degree days with base 65F
jja-dutr-normal	Long-term averages of summer diurnal temperature range
jja-htdd-base40	Long-term averages of summer heating degree days with base 40F

jja-htdd-base45	Long-term averages of summer heating degree days with base 45F
jja-htdd-base50	Long-term averages of summer heating degree days with base 50F
jja-htdd-base55	Long-term averages of summer heating degree days with base 55F
jja-htdd-base57	Long-term averages of summer heating degree days with base 57F
jja-htdd-base60	Long-term averages of summer heating degree days with base 60F
jja-htdd-normal	Long-term averages of summer heating degree days with base 65F
jja-prcp-avgnds-ge001hi	Long-term averages of number of days during June-August with precipitation $\geq 0.01$ inches
jja-prcp-avgnds-ge010hi	Long-term averages of number of days during June-August with precipitation $\geq 0.10$ inches
jja-prcp-avgnds-ge050hi	Long-term averages of number of days during June-August with precipitation $\geq 0.50$ inches
jja-prcp-avgnds-ge100hi	Long-term averages of number of days during June-August with precipitation $\geq 1.00$ inches
jja-prcp-normal	Long-term averages of seasonal precipitation totals for June-August
jja-snow-avgnds-ge001ti	Long-term averages of number of days during June-August with snowfall $\geq 0.1$ inches
jja-snow-avgnds-ge010ti	Long-term averages of number of days during June-August with snowfall $\geq 1.0$ inches
jja-snow-avgnds-ge030ti	Long-term averages of number of days during June-August with snowfall $\geq 3.0$ inches
jja-snow-avgnds-ge050ti	Long-term averages of number of days during June-August with snowfall $\geq 5.0$ inches
jja-snow-avgnds-ge100ti	Long-term averages of number of days during June-August with snowfall $\geq 10.0$ inches
jja-snow-normal	Long-term averages of seasonal snowfall totals for June-August
jja-snwd-avgnds-ge001wi	Long-term averages of number of days during June-August with snow depth $\geq 1$ inch
jja-snwd-avgnds-ge003wi	Long-term averages of number of days during June-August with snow depth $\geq 3$ inches
jja-snwd-avgnds-ge005wi	Long-term averages of number of days during June-August with snow depth $\geq 5$ inches
jja-snwd-avgnds-ge010wi	Long-term averages of number of days during June-August with snow depth $\geq 10$ inches
jja-tavg-normal	Long-term averages of summer average temperature
jja-tmax-avgnds-grth040	Long-term average number of days per summer where tmax is greater than or equal to 40F
jja-tmax-avgnds-grth050	Long-term average number of days per summer where tmax is greater than or equal to 50F
jja-tmax-avgnds-grth060	Long-term average number of days per summer where tmax is greater than or equal to 60F
jja-tmax-avgnds-grth070	Long-term average number of days per summer where tmax is greater than or equal to 70F
jja-tmax-avgnds-grth080	Long-term average number of days per summer where tmax is greater than or equal to 80F
jja-tmax-avgnds-grth090	Long-term average number of days per summer where tmax is greater than or equal to 90F

jja-tmax-avgnds-grth100	Long-term average number of days per summer where tmax is greater than or equal to 100F
jja-tmax-avgnds-lsth032	Long-term average number of days per summer where tmax is less than or equal to 32F
jja-tmax-normal	Long-term averages of summer maximum temperature
jja-tmin-avgnds-lsth000	Long-term average number of days per summer where tmin is less than or equal to 0F
jja-tmin-avgnds-lsth010	Long-term average number of days per summer where tmin is less than or equal to 10F
jja-tmin-avgnds-lsth020	Long-term average number of days per summer where tmin is less than or equal to 20F
jja-tmin-avgnds-lsth032	Long-term average number of days per summer where tmin is less than or equal to 32F
jja-tmin-avgnds-lsth040	Long-term average number of days per summer where tmin is less than or equal to 40F
jja-tmin-avgnds-lsth050	Long-term average number of days per summer where tmin is less than or equal to 50F
jja-tmin-avgnds-lsth060	Long-term average number of days per summer where tmin is less than or equal to 60F
jja-tmin-avgnds-lsth070	Long-term average number of days per summer where tmin is less than or equal to 70F
jja-tmin-normal	Long-term averages of summer minimum temperature
mam-cldd-base45	Long-term averages of spring cooling degree days with base 45F
mam-cldd-base50	Long-term averages of spring cooling degree days with base 50F
mam-cldd-base55	Long-term averages of spring cooling degree days with base 55F
mam-cldd-base57	Long-term averages of spring cooling degree days with base 57F
mam-cldd-base60	Long-term averages of spring cooling degree days with base 60F
mam-cldd-base70	Long-term averages of spring cooling degree days with base 70F
mam-cldd-base72	Long-term averages of spring cooling degree days with base 72F
mam-cldd-normal	Long-term averages of spring cooling degree days with base 65F
mam-dutr-normal	Long-term averages of spring diurnal temperature range
mam-htdd-base40	Long-term averages of spring heating degree days with base 40F
mam-htdd-base45	Long-term averages of spring heating degree days with base 45F
mam-htdd-base50	Long-term averages of spring heating degree days with base 50F
mam-htdd-base55	Long-term averages of spring heating degree days with base 55F
mam-htdd-base57	Long-term averages of spring heating degree days with base 57F
mam-htdd-base60	Long-term averages of spring heating degree days with base 60F
mam-htdd-normal	Long-term averages of spring heating degree days with base 65F
mam-prcp-avgnds-ge001hi	Long-term averages of number of days during March-May with precipitation $\geq 0.01$ inches
mam-prcp-avgnds-ge010hi	Long-term averages of number of days during March-May with precipitation $\geq 0.10$ inches
mam-prcp-avgnds-ge050hi	Long-term averages of number of days during March-May with precipitation $\geq 0.50$ inches
mam-prcp-avgnds-ge100hi	Long-term averages of number of days during March-May with precipitation $\geq 1.00$ inches



mam-prcp-normal	Long-term averages of seasonal precipitation totals for March-May
mam-snow-avgnds-ge001ti	Long-term averages of number of days during March-May with snowfall $\geq$ 0.1 inches
mam-snow-avgnds-ge010ti	Long-term averages of number of days during March-May with snowfall $\geq$ 1.0 inches
mam-snow-avgnds-ge030ti	Long-term averages of number of days during March-May with snowfall $\geq$ 3.0 inches
mam-snow-avgnds-ge050ti	Long-term averages of number of days during March-May with snowfall $\geq$ 5.0 inches
mam-snow-avgnds-ge100ti	Long-term averages of number of days during March-May with snowfall $\geq$ 10.0 inches
mam-snow-normal	Long-term averages of seasonal snowfall totals for March-May
mam-snwd-avgnds-ge001wi	Long-term averages of number of days during March-May with snow depth $\geq$ 1 inches
mam-snwd-avgnds-ge003wi	Long-term averages of number of days during March-May with snow depth $\geq$ 3 inches
mam-snwd-avgnds-ge005wi	Long-term averages of number of days during March-May with snow depth $\geq$ 5 inches
mam-snwd-avgnds-ge010wi	Long-term averages of number of days during March-May with snow depth $\geq$ 10 inches
mam-tavg-normal	Long-term averages of spring average temperature
mam-tmax-avgnds-grth040	Long-term average number of days per spring where tmax is greater than or equal to 40F
mam-tmax-avgnds-grth050	Long-term average number of days per spring where tmax is greater than or equal to 50F
mam-tmax-avgnds-grth060	Long-term average number of days per spring where tmax is greater than or equal to 60F
mam-tmax-avgnds-grth070	Long-term average number of days per spring where tmax is greater than or equal to 70F
mam-tmax-avgnds-grth080	Long-term average number of days per spring where tmax is greater than or equal to 80F
mam-tmax-avgnds-grth090	Long-term average number of days per spring where tmax is greater than or equal to 90F
mam-tmax-avgnds-grth100	Long-term average number of days per spring where tmax is greater than or equal to 100F
mam-tmax-avgnds-lsth032	Long-term average number of days per spring where tmax is less than or equal to 32F
mam-tmax-normal	Long-term averages of spring maximum temperature
mam-tmin-avgnds-lsth000	Long-term average number of days per spring where tmin is less than or equal to 0F
mam-tmin-avgnds-lsth010	Long-term average number of days per spring where tmin is less than or equal to 10F
mam-tmin-avgnds-lsth020	Long-term average number of days per spring where tmin is less than or equal to 20F
mam-tmin-avgnds-lsth032	Long-term average number of days per spring where tmin is less than or equal to 32F
mam-tmin-avgnds-lsth040	Long-term average number of days per spring where tmin is less than

	or equal to 40F
mam-tmin-avgnds-lsth050	Long-term average number of days per spring where tmin is less than or equal to 50F
mam-tmin-avgnds-lsth060	Long-term average number of days per spring where tmin is less than or equal to 60F
mam-tmin-avgnds-lsth070	Long-term average number of days per spring where tmin is less than or equal to 70F
mam-tmin-normal	Long-term averages of spring minimum temperature
son-cldd-base45	Long-term averages of autumn cooling degree days with base 45F
son-cldd-base50	Long-term averages of autumn cooling degree days with base 50F
son-cldd-base55	Long-term averages of autumn cooling degree days with base 55F
son-cldd-base57	Long-term averages of autumn cooling degree days with base 57F
son-cldd-base60	Long-term averages of autumn cooling degree days with base 60F
son-cldd-base70	Long-term averages of autumn cooling degree days with base 70F
son-cldd-base72	Long-term averages of autumn cooling degree days with base 72F
son-cldd-normal	Long-term averages of autumn cooling degree days with base 65F
son-dutr-normal	Long-term averages of autumn diurnal temperature range
son-htdd-base40	Long-term averages of autumn heating degree days with base 40F
son-htdd-base45	Long-term averages of autumn heating degree days with base 45F
son-htdd-base50	Long-term averages of autumn heating degree days with base 50F
son-htdd-base55	Long-term averages of autumn heating degree days with base 55F
son-htdd-base57	Long-term averages of autumn heating degree days with base 57F
son-htdd-base60	Long-term averages of autumn heating degree days with base 60F
son-htdd-normal	Long-term averages of autumn heating degree days with base 65F
son-prcp-avgnds-ge001hi	Long-term averages of number of days during September-November with precipitation $\geq$ 0.01 inches
son-prcp-avgnds-ge010hi	Long-term averages of number of days during September-November with precipitation $\geq$ 0.10 inches
son-prcp-avgnds-ge050hi	Long-term averages of number of days during September-November with precipitation $\geq$ 0.50 inches
son-prcp-avgnds-ge100hi	Long-term averages of number of days during September-November with precipitation $\geq$ 1.00 inches
son-prcp-normal	Long-term averages of seasonal precipitation totals for September-November
son-snow-avgnds-ge001ti	Long-term averages of number of days during September-November with snowfall $\geq$ 0.1 inches
son-snow-avgnds-ge010ti	Long-term averages of number of days during September-November with snowfall $\geq$ 1.0 inches
son-snow-avgnds-ge030ti	Long-term averages of number of days during September-November with snowfall $\geq$ 3.0 inches
son-snow-avgnds-ge050ti	Long-term averages of number of days during September-November with snowfall $\geq$ 5.0 inches
son-snow-avgnds-ge100ti	Long-term averages of number of days during September-November with snowfall $\geq$ 10.0 inches
son-snow-normal	Long-term averages of seasonal snowfall totals for September-November
son-snwd-avgnds-ge001wi	Long-term averages of number of days during September-November with

	snow depth >= 1 inch
son-snwd-avgnds-ge003wi	Long-term averages of number of days during September-November with snow depth >= 3 inches
son-snwd-avgnds-ge005wi	Long-term averages of number of days during September-November with snow depth >= 5 inches
son-snwd-avgnds-ge010wi	Long-term averages of number of days during September-November with snow depth >= 10 inches
son-tavg-normal	Long-term averages of autumn average temperature
son-tmax-avgnds-grth040	Long-term average number of days per autumn where tmax is greater than or equal to 40F
son-tmax-avgnds-grth050	Long-term average number of days per autumn where tmax is greater than or equal to 50F
son-tmax-avgnds-grth060	Long-term average number of days per autumn where tmax is greater than or equal to 60F
son-tmax-avgnds-grth070	Long-term average number of days per autumn where tmax is greater than or equal to 70F
son-tmax-avgnds-grth080	Long-term average number of days per autumn where tmax is greater than or equal to 80F
son-tmax-avgnds-grth090	Long-term average number of days per autumn where tmax is greater than or equal to 90F
son-tmax-avgnds-grth100	Long-term average number of days per autumn where tmax is greater than or equal to 100F
son-tmax-avgnds-lsth032	Long-term average number of days per autumn where tmax is less than or equal to 32F
son-tmax-normal	Long-term averages of autumn maximum temperature
son-tmin-avgnds-lsth000	Long-term average number of days per autumn where tmin is less than or equal to 0F
son-tmin-avgnds-lsth010	Long-term average number of days per autumn where tmin is less than or equal to 10F
son-tmin-avgnds-lsth020	Long-term average number of days per autumn where tmin is less than or equal to 20F
son-tmin-avgnds-lsth032	Long-term average number of days per autumn where tmin is less than or equal to 32F
son-tmin-avgnds-lsth040	Long-term average number of days per autumn where tmin is less than or equal to 40F
son-tmin-avgnds-lsth050	Long-term average number of days per autumn where tmin is less than or equal to 50F
son-tmin-avgnds-lsth060	Long-term average number of days per autumn where tmin is less than or equal to 60F
son-tmin-avgnds-lsth070	Long-term average number of days per autumn where tmin is less than or equal to 70F
son-tmin-normal	Long-term averages of autumn minimum temperature

### III. Additional Information

#### A. Units

Tenths of degrees Fahrenheit for maximum, minimum, average, dew point, heat index, wind chill, and air temperature normals and standard deviations.  
e.g., "703" is 70.3F

Tenths of days for the number of days per month above or below certain threshold, such as days above 90F. e.g., "256" is 25.6 days.

Whole degrees Fahrenheit for heating and cooling degree days.

Hundredths of inches for average monthly/seasonal/annual precipitation, month-to-date/year-to-date precipitation, and percentiles of precipitation.  
e.g., "1" is 0.01" and "1486" is 14.86"

Tenths of inches for average monthly/seasonal/annual snowfall, month-to-date/year-to-date snowfall, and percentiles of snowfall.  
e.g. "39" is 3.9"

Whole inches for percentiles of snow depth.

Tenths of percent for probabilities of precipitation, snowfall, or snow depth exceeding a specific threshold, as well as cloud and wind percentages.  
e.g., "207" is 20.7%

Tenths of degree hours for heating and cooling degree hours. e.g., "152" is 15.2

Tenths of millibars for mean sea level pressure normals.  
e.g., "10147" is 1014.7 mb

Tenths of percent for prevailing and secondary wind direction percentages.  
e.g., "299" is 29.9%

Prevailing and secondary wind directions can take on 8 values:  
1=N, 2=NE, 3=E, 4=SE, 5=S, 6=SW, 7=W, 8=NW

Tenths of mph for wind speeds and vector magnitudes. e.g. "73" is 7.3 mph

Whole degrees for mean vector wind directions

## **B. Special values**

9999: missing or insufficient data; value(s) cannot be computed

Note: More special values may be added at a later date.

## **C. For further information**

For more detailed information, view complete documentation at:  
<http://www1.ncdc.noaa.gov/pub/data/normals/1981-2010/readme.txt>.